

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: Place a cross (X) in either the YES or NO box after each article

ARTICLE 2. “Shall the Town vote to accept the reports of the various Town Officers and to take proper action thereon?”

647 YES

53 NO

ARTICLE 3. “Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, the sum of \$4,280,480 which represents \$3,563,055 for the Town operating budget, \$444,302 for the Water Fund operating budget and \$273,123 for the Sewer Fund operating budget?”

Should this article be defeated, the default operating budget shall be \$4,167,176 which is the same as last year’s budget*, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

*The default budget represents \$3,448,683 for the Town operating budget, \$360,428 for the Water Fund operating budget, and \$358,065 for the Sewer Fund operating budget.

NOTE: This warrant article (operating budgets) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article.

The Selectboard recommends this appropriation.

The Finance Committee recommends this appropriation.

444 YES

284 NO

ARTICLE 4. “Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to enter into a 5 year lease-purchase agreement for the acquisition of a new ambulance at a total cost of \$187,300 and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$37,460 as the first year’s payment toward said lease-purchase?” Future annual payments in years 2-5 would be continue to be \$37,460. The lease-purchase agreement shall contain a non-appropriation or “escape” clause providing that should the scheduled lease payment not be appropriated in future years, the equipment will be returned to the lessor with no further obligations or liabilities on behalf of the Town. (Majority vote required.)

The Selectboard recommends this appropriation.

The Finance Committee recommends this appropriation.

342 YES

395 NO

ARTICLE 5. “Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate, by special warrant article, the sum of \$60,000 for the purpose of constructing and equipping a new building on Town owned land on Briggs Hill Road for the use of the Fall Mountain Emergency Food Shelf and other appropriate Town functions?” This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the building is completed or December 31, 2012, whichever is sooner.

The Selectboard recommends this appropriation.

The Finance Committee recommends this appropriation.

269 YES

465 NO

ARTICLE 6. “Shall the Town vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of a reappraisal of all real estate in the town for tax assessment purposes, as required by law every 5 years and anticipated to take place in the year 2016, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be placed in the fund?”

The Selectboard recommends this appropriation.

The Finance Committee recommends this appropriation.

429 YES

301 NO

ARTICLE 7. “Shall the Town vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of future Highway Heavy Equipment purchases and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be placed in the fund?”

The Selectboard recommends this appropriation.

The Finance Committee recommends this appropriation.

466 YES

267 NO

ARTICLE 8. “Shall the Town vote, by special warrant article, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,800 for the continuation of the regularly scheduled transportation services provided by the Community Alliance of Human Services?”

The Selectboard recommends this appropriation.

The Finance Committee recommends this appropriation.

542 YES

189 NO

ARTICLE 9. “Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate, by special warrant article, the sum of \$2,000 for the purpose of continuing the compilation and publication of an updated Town History?” This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the updated Town History is completed or December 31, 2012, whichever is sooner.

The Selectboard recommends this appropriation.

The Finance Committee recommends this appropriation.

492 YES

237 NO

ARTICLE 10. “Shall the Town vote to increase the Optional Veterans Tax Credit from the current \$250 to \$400 pursuant to the provisions of RSA 72:28?” The qualifying criteria for said exemption shall remain unchanged as specified in said statute.

565 YES

164 NO

ARTICLE 11. “Shall the Town vote to convert the Town's elected Recreation Committee to an appointed Recreation Commission, in order to comply with the provisions of RSA 35-B?” Said Commission shall consist of 9 members including one ex-officio Selectboard member. This article, if adopted, will take effect after the next annual town meeting in 2012.

404 YES

319 NO

ARTICLE 12. “Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 for aquatics classes for Charlestown seniors at the Edgar May Recreation Center in Springfield, VT?”

(By Petition)

The Selectboard does not recommend this appropriation.

The Finance Committee does not recommend this appropriation.

243 YES

490 NO

ARTICLE 13. “Shall the Town vote to authorize the selectboard to place the ambulance service out for bid to ensure a higher percentage of answered calls, a more timely response in answering the calls, with a result of cost savings and improved service for the town?” **(By Petition)**

357 YES

371 NO

ARTICLE 14. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

564 YES

129 NO
